IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of ISLAM et al.

Confirmation No. 7510

Application No. 10/516,361

Examiner: STAPLES, Mark

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Group Art Unit: 1637

Attorney Docket No. 3875-033

For:

MET/FRET BASED METHOD OF TARGET NUCLEIC ACID DETECTION

WHEREBY THE DONOR/ACCEPTOR MOIETIES ARE ON COMPLEMENTARY

STRANDS

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the nonfinal Office Action mailed August 20, 2008 (hereinafter the "Office Action"), please enter the following amendment and consider the remarks as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 37.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 38.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 39 of this paper.